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RE: Additional Riprap and Streambed Cobble Placement
Upper Clear Creek Mitigation Site (UCCMS) Project

This memorandum presents justification for placement of additional heavy loose riprap and streambed cobble during construction of the Upper Clear Creek Mitigation Site (UCCMS). Initial estimates called for 500 tons (313 CY) of riprap and 610 tons (381 CY) of cobble. According to the construction contractor (Active Construction, Inc. [ACI]), the actual quantities required to construct the project totaled approximately 600 tons (375 CY) of riprap and 1,200 tons (750 CY) of cobble. The increased quantities are attributed to underestimating the planned quantity of necessary cobble and additional quantities of both materials needed during construction to realign the existing channel east of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railroad and to build channel deflector structures in unconsolidated substrates of the existing Clear Creek channel. Specifics regarding the need for additional riprap and cobble are discussed in more detail below.

Initially, the quantity of cobble was underestimated by 440 tons (275 CY) because it did not fully take into account the buried extents necessary to construct the pool-forming cobble structures and the base layer beneath coir wrap embankments. Based on a reevaluation of project plans and details, the revised planned estimate of cobble for the project is approximately 1,050 tons (656 CY).

An additional approximate 35 tons (22 CY) of riprap and 40 tons (25 CY) of cobble was necessary to address a Request for Information (RFI) that ACI submitted to the Port of Tacoma (Port). The construction plans excluded riprap and cobble from an area directly north of channel deflector structure 11-2 where the existing channel was realigned further east of the BNSF railroad embankment. ACI expressed difficulty installing riprap that only extends part way down the proposed left (west) bank slope to an elevation of 14 feet. Stable placement of riprap to this elevation would be difficult without additional riprap placement that extends to the proposed channel bed elevation of 10.5 feet (to support the upper material placement). Furthermore, by not adding riprap in this area, there was a risk of erosion at this location during high flows which could lead to bank failure. To address these constructability issues, the design plans were revised to include placement of additional riprap and cobble (see attached revisions to Drawing L4.2 and cross section E from Drawing L4.9).

An additional approximate 65 tons (41 CY) of riprap and 110 tons (69 CY) of cobble was necessary within the existing Clear Creek channel to account for initially placed materials that submerged into unconsolidated substrate. Due to the unaccounted loss of material into existing substrate, additional materials were necessary to achieve design elevations during construction of the left bank adjacent to the BNSF railroad and both channel deflector structures.

Therefore, approximately 100 tons (63 CY) of additional riprap and 590 tons (369 CY) of additional cobble was placed to construct the UCCMS for a project total of approximately 600 tons (375 CY) of riprap and 1,200 tons (750 CY) of cobble. These revisions will be reflected on the project as-built survey and will be documented in the as-built report.

ADDITIONAL RIPRAP (APPROX. 8' WIDE) SLOPED AT 2H:1V
TO MATCH DESIGN GRADE AT ELEV. 14'



APPROX.
TOE OF
EXISTING
CHANNEL

- TOE OF RIPRAP:
TOP OF ROCK ~ ELEV. 10'
BOTTOM OF ROCK ~ ELEV. 8'

- COBBLE TOE AT
ELEV. 10'
TRANSITION COBBLE
OVER RIPRAP TO
FINAL GRADES
SHOWN.


✓ MAINTAIN SLOPE
GEOMETRY PER
DESIGN ON SECTION
E, DWG L4.9

LEGEND:

PARTIALLY EMBEDDED LOG SYMBOL

EXPOSED—

KEY LOG TYPE ID
(LOG TYPE L1)

 LOG PLACEMENT
SEQUENCING ORDER

 STRUCTURE CONTROL POINT (1)


3V:1H LOG SLOPE DIRECTION (DOWN)


--- EXISTING GRADE

_____ FINAL GRADE

----- EXCAVATION LIMITS

 STRUCTURE BACKFILL

 MATERIALS PLACEMENT

 COIR WRAP EMBANKMENT
PLACEMENT (SEE NOTE 3)



**STREAMBED COBBLE MATERIALS
PLACEMENT (SEE NOTE 3)**



HEAVY LOOSE RIP-RAP MASS
PLACEMENT (SEE NOTE 3)

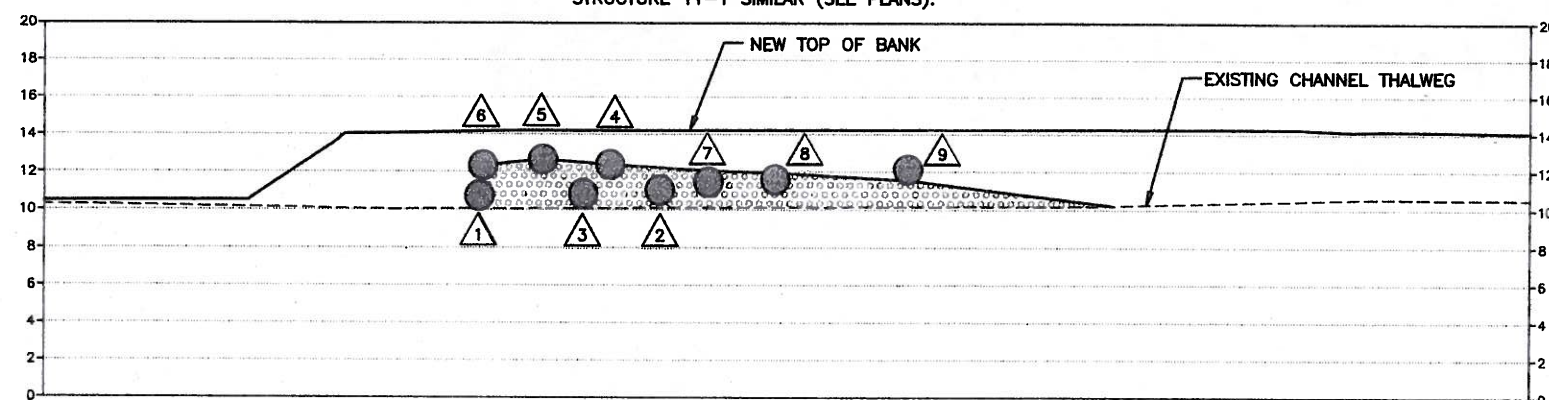
 EXISTING SUBSTRATE

NOTES:

1. EXTENTS OF EMBEDDED LOG PORTIONS SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE AND WILL VARY FOR EACH STRUCTURE.
2. EXCAVATION LIMITS SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE AND WILL VARY BASED ON CONSTRUCTION MEANS AND METHODS, SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS AND LOCATION OF STRUCTURE. CONTRACTOR SHALL ADJUST EXCAVATION LIMITS AS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION.
3. SEE SHEETS L1.10 (STRUCTURE 11-1), AND L1.14 AND L1.16 (STRUCTURE 11-2) FOR LOCATIONS AND EXTENTS OF COIR WRAP EMBANKMENT, STREAMBED COBBLES, AND HEAVY LOOSE RIP-RAP MATERIALS PLACEMENT.

LOG TYPE	DIAMETER MIN. (IN)	LENGTH (FT)	ROOTWAD	TOTAL QTY. PER STRUCT.
L2	18"	35'	NO	4
L3	18"	30'	NO	3
L4	18"	25'	NO	5
L5	18"	20'	NO	2
R3	18"	30'	YES	2

***NOTE:** STRUCTURE 11-2 CONDITIONS SHOWN,
STRUCTURE 11-1 SIMILAR (SEE PLANS).



CHANNEL DEFLECTOR STRUCTURE PROFILE

CHANNEL DEFLECTOR STRUCTURE DETAILS



CHANNEL DEFLECTOR STRUCTURE CONTROL POINTS			
CONTROL POINT (CP) #1	NORTHING	EASTING	ELEVATION (FEET)
STRUCTURE 11-1 CP1	695280.66	1172774.08	11.20
STRUCTURE 11-1 CP2	695277.34	1172783.51	10.08
STRUCTURE 11-2 CP1	694845.92	1172928.41	12.48
STRUCTURE 11-2 CP2	694843.91	1177995.97	12.19

UPPER CLEAR CREEK MITIGATION SITE SITE DETAILS

L4.2

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TOWNSHIP: 20 N	RANGE: 3 E	SECTION: 14
DATE-HRZ: NAD83/07	VERT: MLLW (SEE NOTES ON SV2.0)	
PARCEL: 0320341001/4-1085	ODDPAULIC SCALE: 45	NOTES

SEE USZ071001(810806)DRAWING SCALE: AS NOTED
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